


Magnolia Point Women's Club
Minutes of the October 14, 2009 Meeting

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President-Elect Dotti Curry at 3:40 PM. Dotti welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Membership

Jeanne Gorman introduced new member, Rose Beepot. Sandy Flanders introduced her guest, Melodie Stilwell. Other guests were Margie Martin and Emily Vereen's daughter, Pam.

Acceptance of Minutes

Susan Mitchell moved to accept the September minutes as written, seconded by Kitty Cella. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was emailed to members. Dotti asked for questions. There were none.

Information, Dotti Curry

1. **Social:** Denise Beauchamp asked Dotti to say a very special thanks to Lynn and Mike Kelly for hosting the cocktail party last weekend. Everyone had a very good time. The next cocktail party will be in January at the home of Mary Kendall.
2. **Charity, Dorothy Wood:** The Charity Committee met on October 2. Dorothy read the minutes of the meeting and commented that more organizations are asking for more money than usual. Eighteen organizations asked for help. The recommendations of the Charity Committee are as follows:

Camp I am Special	\$ 500.00	(Fund camp for 2 GCS challenged children)
Quigley House	1,200.00	(Fund food for sheltered women)
Seamark Ranch	400.00	(Life skills program for children)
Food Pantry	1,500.00	(Food)
Outreach	1,500.00	(Food, utilities, rent, drugs etc.)
Waste Not Want Not	1,000.00	(Food)
Take Stock in Children	500.00	(Scholarship only for 1 child)
GCS Athletic Association	300.00	(Athletic equipment or sponsorship for 1 child)
Way Free Clinic GCS	1,000.00	(Prescription drugs)
Clay Literacy Coalition	100.00	(Books, essay writing, group classes for children)
TOTAL	\$8,000.00	

The committee recommended volunteer support for Safe Animal Shelter, Augusta Savage Center, Council on Aging, Challenge Enterprises, Friends of the Library, and Sew Much Comfort.

Alice Kerrigan moved to accept the recommendations of the Charity Committee, seconded Jo Ann Johnson. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. Susan Mitchell moved to increase the donation to Clay Literacy Coalition from \$100.00 to \$300.00, seconded by Marguerite Riley. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. Susan Mitchell

moved that we become a friend of the library at a cost of \$25.00, seconded by Joanne Montzka. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

3. **October Birthdays:** Dotti wished all those who have birthdays in October a happy birthday.

Committee Reports

1. **Food Pantry, Jean Cosby:** MPWC is sponsoring its ninth annual food drive for the Food Pantry from October 9-25. The need is greater this year than ever before. Collection barrels are located in the clubhouse and in the Pro Shop. In addition to non-perishable food items, the Food Pantry accepts cash. Jean Cosby has a receptacle on her porch for checks. Her address is 3520 Shinnecock.
2. **Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk, Cheryle Newman:** Ten ladies from Magnolia Point walked in the 5K fund raiser last weekend. They raised almost \$500.00. Dotti Curry suggested that we donate \$100 from MPWC. Cheryle requested that we give it to another organization like The Diabetes Walk and put the Breast Cancer Walk in the budget for next year. Cheryle passed around pictures from walk.
3. **Ad Sales, Judy Williamson:** Judy reported that ad sales have been completed. She requested to please tell retailers that you saw their ad in the MPWC Directory. Directories were available for pick up after the meeting. Judy asked members to take a book for a friend or neighbor who could not be at the meeting. All books have member names on them. Judy thanked Joanie for her graphic designs and Susan for putting it all together. A total of \$2705.00 was raised through ad sales. Dotti thanked everyone who worked on ad sales.
4. **Programs/Box Tops, Geri Pearson:** Dorothy Wood presented numerous bags of pop tops to Geri. Geri reported that the November meeting will feature Sherrie Faye who owns From the Heart Flowers and Gifts. Geri will be taking box tops and labels to Charles E Bennett School soon. She reported that the staff is very appreciative of our efforts.
5. **Boutique, Susie Snow:** Susie introduced Karen Meade from Village Improvement Association (Green Cove Springs Women's Club) who will co-chair the boutique with Mary Kendall. The date is November 18. There will be about 12 vendors. The committee is looking for more vendors. Items for raffle will also be available at the boutique. Smoked turkeys and pork may be pre-ordered. An email was sent with information. The boutique will also be selling Sees Candies.
6. **Waste not Want Not, Coral Nettuno:** Coral reported on the evergreen holiday fund raiser offering wreaths and centerpieces. The organization makes \$7.50 per item. Orders must be in by October 27. Items will be delivered via UPS between November 23 and December 11. Contact Coral for more information, 529-8205 or nettunoc@aol.com.
7. **Fundraising, Shirley Orvosh:** Shirley displayed the beautiful afghan made by Delores Leisy and donated to MPWC. The afghan will be raffled off at the Christmas Tea. Tickets are \$5.00 or 3 for \$10.00. Shirley will have an MPWC table at the boutique with candles, note cards, cookbooks, and afghan raffle tickets. She will be asking for volunteers to make cookies and teas that will be complimentary. MPWC will host the Orange Park Theatre play reading on December 13. Tickets will be sold for \$10.00.

8. **Charles E Bennett, Joanie Braatz:** The Charles E Bennett fund raiser is coming up soon. More people are in need this year than last year. The committee will mail the donation letters this year because it looks more professional. Ronnie Robinson will donate his bulk mail stamp. Joanie asked for volunteers to assemble the letters on November 20 at her home. Joanie needs about 10 volunteers. She passed around a sign up sheet. Joanie reported that everyone at CEB is so appreciative and they want to thank the members.
9. **Day Trips, Susan Mitchell:** Susan sent around a sign up sheet for the pottery class on November 2. The cost is \$25.00 and includes lunch. No pottery experience is needed.
10. **Outreach, Susie Show:** Susie introduced Mandy from The American Diabetes Association who reported on diabetes facts and the Step Out Walk to Fight Diabetes on November 7. The goal is to raise \$350,000.00. Mandy distributed flyers and information on how to sign up. For more information, please contact Susie.
11. **Luminaries, Debbie Brown:** Luminary Night is scheduled for Saturday, December 12. The Charles E Bennett Chorus will not be singing this year because the director is on maternity leave. The Magnolia Singers will be performing with the addition of male voices plus a sing-a-long. There will be four block parties on Blackstone, Stonebrier, Long Cove, and Cherry Hills. Block party attendees are asked to bring their own drinks and an appetizer or dessert to share. Luminary order forms will be distributed on or shortly after November 2. All information will be on the order form. Debbie asked that MPWC members inform neighbors who do not have email or who do not belong to MPWC about Luminary Night.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Barclay
Secretary

After a short break, Geri Pearson introduced Ron Little who wrote *Roadside Bombs and Democracy* about his experiences in Kosovo and Iraq. The cost of the book is \$15.00 and 20% of the proceeds will be donated to MPWC.